

Tony La Russa's



Animal Rescue  
Foundation



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## ANOTHER WEEK OF SAVING LIVES

**“I** know this is a long shot...but  
do you have room for puppies?”

ARF's intake specialist wasn't expecting this question from the caller at the public animal shelter. It was that time of year again: an abundance of animals, including litters of puppies and kittens, flooding the already overcrowded shelters. Our rooms and foster homes were already bursting, and we had just rescued forty more adult dogs and cats the day before. Knowing ARF was the last chance for these puppies, we worked quickly to find more space, and said “Yes!” to saving twenty-four more little lives. Grateful workers at the shelter helped load crates into our vehicle for the long journey home.



**WIDE BROWN EYES GAZED OUT AT US AND SEEMED TO SAY MORE  
THAN HUMAN WORDS EVER COULD...THANK YOU FOR SAVING ME.**



Small yips could be heard from inside as the scruffy balls of fur wiggled past each other to be the first one to greet their rescuers. Little tongues licked frantically at fingers and tiny paws reached out of wire doors, a reminder of each precious life on board. Wide brown eyes gazed out at us, and seemed to say more than human words ever could...thank you for saving me.

As summer rolls into fall, kittens from the overwhelming “kitten season” and countless dogs and cats in need of rescue are waiting for homes of their own. Every week, our rescue teams bring even more

helpless creatures back to ARF. There is no end to the inflow of animals and our resources are always stretched beyond capacity.

ARF IS CALLED UPON DAILY TO SAVE THE LIVES OF ANIMALS WHO HAVE NO PLACE TO GO. THEY NEED US...AND WE NEED YOU TO HELP THEM. WON'T YOU STRETCH YOURSELF AND DONATE TODAY? [WWW.ARF.NET](http://WWW.ARF.NET)



## COMMUNITY INTEREST

### MADDIE'S LEGACY SAVES COUNTLESS LIVES

Visitors to ARF enter through the Maddie's Animal Care Center doors.

Maddie's Fund®, The Pet Rescue Foundation, ([www.maddiesfund.org](http://www.maddiesfund.org)) is a family foundation funded by Workday and PeopleSoft Founder Dave Duffield and his wife, Cheryl. Maddie's Fund® is helping to create a no-kill nation where all healthy and treatable shelter dogs and cats are guaranteed a loving home.

To achieve this goal, Maddie's Fund® is investing its resources in building community collaborations where animal welfare organizations come together to develop successful models of lifesaving; in veterinary colleges to help shelter medicine become part of the veterinary curriculum; and in the imple-



### MADDIE'S FUND

mentation of a national strategy to promote accountability and transparency in animal shelter operations. Maddie's Fund® is named after the family's beloved Miniature Schnauzer who passed away in 1997.

### 119 PETS FIND HOMES DURING MADDIE'S MATCHMAKER ADOPTATHON

Camping outside ARF before dawn is a great way to get the pick of the litter! Yes, some adopters showed up as early as 4:30 a.m. to be first in line for what proved to be a truly memorable weekend. A total of 119 lucky ARF dogs and cats found homes during a spectacular Maddie's Matchmaker Adoptathon on June 9 and 10.

All adoption fees were waived both days, with Maddie's Fund providing grants of at least \$500 for every animal adopted. This year's Adoptathon was the largest in history, featuring a staggering 80 locations throughout Contra Costa, Alameda, and San Francisco Counties, leading to more than 2,600 animals finding new, happy homes.

We are deeply grateful to Maddie's Fund and the Duffield family for their incredible contributions to the welfare of the animals in our community!



Elena Bicker and Dave Duffield

**WE REGRET ARF WAS UNABLE TO PRODUCE THE  
2013 CALENDAR DUE TO THE LOSS OF OUR SPONSOR.**

**OUR PRECIOUS PETS HOPE TO BE FEATURED IN A 2014 CALENDAR.**

**HELP US FIND A SPONSOR! CONTACT [BBARTLETT@ARF.NET](mailto:bbartlett@arf.net)**

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where every loving dog or cat has  
a home, where every lonely person  
has a companion animal, and  
where children learn to care.**

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## LETTER FROM ARF'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“Come on, Sadie.” I clicked the leash onto my 11-year-old Labrador’s collar upon arriving at ARF early one morning. Mia, my 4-year-old Golden Retriever, hopped out of the car. The warm sun shone on us as I strolled with my ARF rescues across the parking lot. Out of the corner of my eye I saw a quick flash of brown as I neared the doors. I turned to look. There it was again, darting in and out of the parked cars in the parking lot. Someone had dumped a collarless, small brown dog. Frantically, the pooch ran full speed between the rows as new cars traveled into the lot.

I tore open the office door, hollering “April, can you take my dogs?” while simultaneously releasing Sadie from

towards the dog as he made his way into ARF’s garden. The 35-pound brown pup raced along the tile wall and then abruptly stopped. He panted heavily and looked around quickly, spotting me. “Hey pretty baby,” I cooed in a soft voice, trying to make myself his size. He dropped his head and I took another step forward. “It’s okay... come here, boy.” He was spooked, and scrutinized me before continuing his panicked pace down Mitchell Drive. Well, I thought to myself, *at least we avoided Oak Grove*, where more than 11,000 cars travel daily. I followed, but didn’t chase, and his run dropped to a trot while he glanced my way. *Good. He’s a little tired.*

Without warning, he spun around and headed toward me while crossing



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### HE WAS SO TIRED, HIS EYES SO WIDE YOU COULD SEE THE WHITES AROUND HIS PUPILS AS HE HID BEHIND THE TRASH CANS.

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her leash, dropping my purse, and kicking off my heels. I moved quickly, running barefoot with the leash in hand



ARF found new homes for 1,974 cats and dogs last year.

the street onto Oak Grove. I was right on his tail, but not for long as he decided to split the lanes and run directly down the center of the road. A few cars stopped, and the little fellow made it onto the sidewalk and took off at full speed. He was two blocks ahead of me by the time I made it to the curb. *Dang, dang, dang.* I tried to catch my breath. *Now what?* Suddenly, a little red Toyota pulled up and the man shouted, “Get in, we’ll catch him!” Breathless and shoeless, still clutching my purple leash, I jumped in the car. The dog scampered into a side street as we stopped the car, and I asked the gentlemen to stay with the car, blocking the exit path. I figured with only one way out, if the dog got past me, he might be able to catch the frightened pup.

He was so tired, his eyes so wide you could see the whites around his pupils as he hid behind the trash cans. I got down on my knees and called softly. He looked at me and laid his tired body

down with his long tongue hanging out. I slipped the leash through the handle and slipped it around his neck just as the other ARF staff arrived. *Another one rescued*, I thought, as we made our way back to the shelter. No pet should be put in jeopardy as each one warrants a safe, caring and secure environment. Working together to overcome difficult obstacles and aspiring always toward compassion, we strive to give each pet a chance to live its life out naturally as a part of a loving and affectionate family. We recognize the challenges of rescue and never shy away from the task at hand, but we need your help with one animal at time, life by life..when they need us the most. Won’t you make a donation to ARF today?

Elena Bicker  
Executive Director

## NEW BEGINNINGS

### TORO

Toro is a gentle giant who came to ARF after recovering from serious gunshot wounds that left scars on his back. This traumatic experience would have shaken any dog, but the scars were only physical. Toro remained gentle, easygoing, and friendly to people and other animals. Now called Toby, his new "mom" raves that he's a great dog, a wonderful listener, and a trusted companion. He even accompanies her to work, where co-workers give him buckets of extra love and "face smushing," his favorite form of affection. Toby's life now is everything it was always meant to be—loving, peaceful, and happy!



Find out when your favorites go home!

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### MIKEY

Hello ARF people!

Thank you so much for all your time, work, and play with Mikey. I'm so pleased with my choice. He is ever the birdwatcher, bug eater, and bird police. He really likes coaching me on his routine:

6am: "What took you so long to get up?  
Where's my breakfast?"

4:30pm: "Where have you been?  
I'm ready for some catnip!"

9pm: "Laser tag, anyone?"

10:30pm: "Lap time, right?"

I so enjoy learning about him and how he sees the world. He is clearly in the top 1% of all the really smart cats I've known.

Best wishes to you all, with appreciation.

Linden

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**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 6**

**10 AM - NOON  
\$5 PER BOX**

**Proceeds benefit arf  
No oversized boxes please**



## NICOLE'S STORY

### HOPE BEATS EVEN IN THE SMALLEST OF HEARTS

The sound of mewing, hungry kittens could be heard throughout ARF's clinic. It was late afternoon and ARF's staff just returned with crates filled with litters of kittens from the public animal shelter. Rambunctious tabbies and tuxedoes, roly-poly white, black and calico balls of fur demanded food, warmth, and attention. But one little five-week-old grey and white kitten blissfully slept on while being gently lifted out of the carrier. Little Nicole was oblivious of her new surroundings, unaware her future had dramatically changed and that she was now safe.

During a routine exam, ARF's veterinarian noticed Nicole had a heart problem. The doctor decided to send her to an ARF foster family to grow, gain weight, and return for further evaluation. Chest x-rays were taken and an echocardiogram diagnosed a rare heart condition. With no surgical option available to correct the problem her prognosis was uncertain.

A weak heart did not stop Nicole from working her magic on her foster parents. They could not help but fall

in love with this spunky kitten who approached everything with gusto. Nicole was only expected to live a few more precious months - everyone was amazed a year later when she continued to grow, play and thrive!

Nicole's foster parents knew they wanted to adopt her, but due to her heart condition ARF was unable to provide the spay surgery on site, prior to adoption. After hearing about the valiant kitty who beat the odds, Sage Centers for Veterinary Specialty and Emergency Care, one of ARF's veterinary partners, generously provided Nicole with a cardiac work up and offered to do the surgery at no cost. Getting stronger every day, chasing balls around her home, Nicole bears little resemblance to the weak kitten that came to us more than a year ago.

Is one small life worth extraordinary efforts? We think so and Nicole's new family can't imagine their home without her. She inspired so many to care, to have hope and go above and beyond to save a life.

Help give dogs and cats like Nicole a chance at life. [www.arf.net](http://www.arf.net).



### MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR 60 CENTS A DAY GIVE A LITTLE AND HELP SAVE LIVES

ARF Sustainers provide an ongoing, dependable source of income helping ARF save more lives. Small monthly donations add up to a big impact over the course of a year without stressing your household budget.

**\$18** covers the cost of one  
A MONTH cat spay/neuter surgery

**\$25** provides food for one  
A MONTH shelter dog or cat

**\$50** funds the cost for one Pet Hug  
A MONTH pack visit to people in need

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## COMMUNITY INTEREST

### SOLVING PET OVERPOPULATION AT THE SOURCE

One by one, pit bulls, Chihuahuas, and mixes of both breeds leave on leashes and in the arms of their guardians after another successful free ARF community spay/neuter day. We like to think their wagging tails are meant to thank their guardians for the added health benefits, and the lightening of the pet overpopulation burden.

With uncontrolled breeding filling public shelters, resulting in the euthanasia of four million animals every year, ARF is addressing the crisis at its root by expanding

free spay/neuter days this fall and winter. By offering no-cost spay and neuter services for Chihuahuas and Chihuahua mixes, pit bulls and pit bull mixes, and dogs and cats of low-income families who can't otherwise afford surgery, we hope to encourage owners to make the responsible choice and prevent the births of more unwanted animals.

Without spay and neuter, unwanted puppies and kittens would have little chance of survival, roaming the streets or languishing in overcrowded public

shelters. Of critical importance are Chihuahuas, which now account for thirty percent of the dogs in public shelters, quickly surpassing pit bulls as the most represented breed.

Even one free spay/neuter day can result in an incredible 40 pets altered and prevent needless loss of life. Join us in our fight to overcome the pet overpopulation crisis by donating today at [www.arf.net](http://www.arf.net). For even greater impact, consider sponsoring an entire day of spay/neuter surgeries! Contact [bbartlett@arf.net](mailto:bbartlett@arf.net) for more details.



#### FALL SPAY/NEUTER DATES

**Friday, September 14 - Cats**

**Wednesday, October 10**  
Dogs (for low-income clients)

**Wednesday, October 24**  
Cats (for low-income clients)

**Friday, November 9**

Pit bulls, pit bull mixes, Chihuahuas, Chihuahua mixes

**\$25 anytime to spay/neuter pit bulls and Chihuahuas**

**Sign up today!**

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## VET CAMP GETS “TWO PAWS UP” FROM KIDS

Ten-year-old Jacob had always had a special way with animals, but it wasn't until he attended ARF's Vet Camp that he realized that his fondness for all friends furry and four-legged could someday be something more than a hobby.

Vet Camp is a unique Camp ARF program that gives middle school campers a behind-the-curtain peek at what being a veterinarian really entails. Children practice sutures on plush animals, learn to read x-rays, and even watch a live spay or neuter surgery, which Jacob enthusiastically described as “gross—in both a good and bad way!” What could be more fun for an animal-crazy kid than caring for homeless animals and learning about basic veterinary procedures? Jacob, a veteran of several ARF camps, gave Vet Camp two thumbs up, saying the interactive veterinary lessons and activities made it his favorite camp yet. “At other camps, you don't see a horse,” he notes, referring to the day a gorgeous Shire gelding visited to teach campers about equine anatomy, medicine, and care. Vet Camp's greatest lesson for the children is a glimpse into what they want to be when they grow up: veterinarians.

Every day, ARF's humane education programs connect kids with animals in new and exciting ways and teach lessons about the value of animals that last long after the presentations end. Make the future brighter for animals by signing your child up for one of ARF's signature camps at [www.arf.net](http://www.arf.net) or donating to help build a new generation of animal lovers to carry on ARF's mission of “People rescuing animals...animals rescuing people®.”

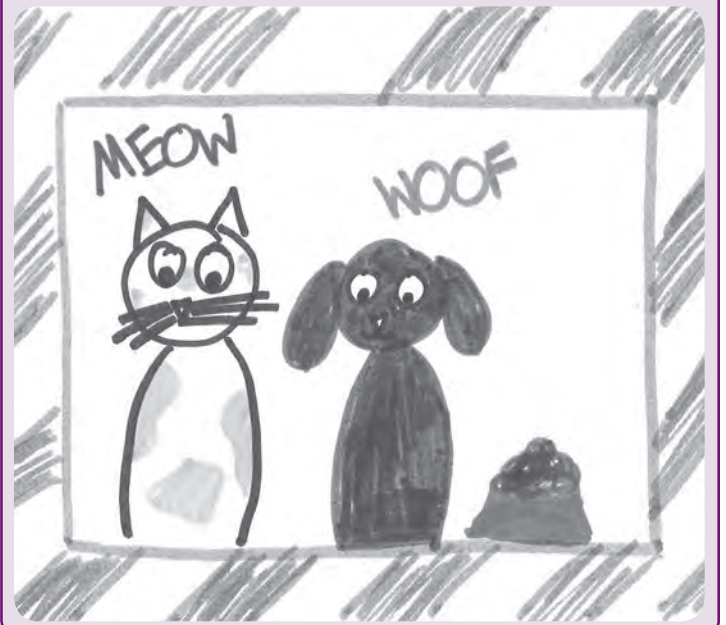


Are you a cat or dog person?

It does not matter.

All that matters is  
the animals thank you.

Brittany, Age 10



Juliet Blake, ARF's Clinic Director, with two future veterinarians.

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**Adoption fees for ARF's Very Important Pets (VIP) have been pre-paid by generous supporters. For more information on how to sponsor a dog or cat adoption please contact [Itakahashi@arf.net](mailto:Itakahashi@arf.net).**

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